Field Notes

May 10, 1902
to
July 27, 1902

OFFICE OF

N. F. WETMORE.

PHYSICIAN
AND DRUGGIST.

North Freedom, Wis., _____ 190

Coast Flyer Arthur all
tired out and half frozen
Ed Dunmers and I caught
it and I took it immediat
was rather. It was very
stuffy and would not
wake up. Feel-t really
dead. Saw many without
They must be suffering
their other upset.
11:00 AM.
C Knapp.
Coast Weather

Magdeburg

Robina must only
buried in snow. provided
moved. Bradley for upper
female chamber Dress
carry.
1.'15 P.M. Robin
Home

May 16, 1962

Red start on ground hopping around. Went along side wall in front of house. rather draggled in appearance on wood, yards and tree. kept tail spread.

1:20 P.M Red start Home

May 16, 1962

Very warm Dattur out of place on snow. Caught worm and carried it awhile and then beat on a limb after which it ate it. lit in tree almost above us.

Chestnut sided Warbler
1.25 P.M. Home.

May 15, 1902

underparts white, sides
and breast black. face blue
white spot on wings, under
side of tail white, upper blue-
chicks black. silent. perched
cling to side of tree fluttering.
Tame. Kept in heavy foliage
Beak thread blue
weather, 11/29/01.
Pattersone house.

May 10, 1902

Saw an Olive-backed Thrush on the ground near the bottom of the rapids on the Creek. It ran around much like a robin but was more suspicious looking at me for considerable interval. I turned to get insects from the top of the ground. Finally I sat in the side of a tree slanting like this / and stood there for some time.

3:45 P.M. Bottom of Rapids Creek.

May 11, 1912

Spotted sandpipers were thick along duly Creek and in Billiots Marsh. They had an curious habit which I had not noticed much before. This was perching on stumps and sticks. On first sighting they would bob vigorously a number of times. They seemed to be noted for their vent in pairs.

8:10 P.M. July Twelfth
Billiots.

May 11, 1912

Saw a Yellow-Billed Woodpecker drilling holes in a white pine. I did not see him at first and as he drilled so steadily I thought he was making a nest. When he started on the hard outer bark it drummed loudly but inside it did not make much noise. He turned his head from side to side to shape the hole. It was a female.

Bluff above marsh on lake.
4:15 a.m.

May 11, 1902

Heard a Ruffed Grouse drumming and tried to sneak up on him. As the sound carries for a long ways I had to go with great care. He drumming with intervals of about 10 minutes in between. The drum was thump thump thump thump thump thump thump thump thump thu--r-r-r-r-r-r thump thump thump. decreasing gradually and ending in a few slower thumps. After going some distance he stopped so he probably saw me. I did not go ahead then.

Bluff above Mattituck Creek
4:00 P.M.

May 11, 1902

The sparrows were having quite a time amongst themselves. One chased his mate who fled calling angrily. At this two other males pitched into him and they had a roughand tumble fight. Then one of them gave a bright song followed by a peculiar note. And the other two flew up after him. He was up about 20 feet and went up with this man are.

Near Marsh Creek
4:30 P.M.

May 11, 1902

the bee-u-e-l, heard a loud whistled, A number of men were around the spots and they acted rather excited. I continued along for some distance hearing at best not seeing anything. Finally I located another and I came down saw it was a Coopers Hawk. At first I found the crowd followed keeping at a respectful distance however. I thought I saw the next but it proved to be a

8:15 P.M. Crisk..

May 11, 1902

Later as I turned I heard
the same loud note in the same
place. I was at a disadvantage
as the bird was in the edge of
the woods while I had to cross a
meadow about 12 rods wide. I
proceeded very slowly and got
quite close. I could not see the
bird well at first but he was
evidently not afraid as he flew
out on a limb in plain sight a
few rods off. He sat there looking
around for awhile and then
lit on another spot. Then he
flew off through the woods
but soon returned flying

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nearly over my head. He had a very noticable whitish rump. which proved a good field mark.

Corporal Hawk.

May 11, 1902

sunt sunt sunt It
flew at a ruby-crowned
kinglet angrily. It was
very resolute and seemed
to hop to the branches as
much as the trunks of
the trees. It seemed as
much of a woodpecker
bird as the nuthatch almost
It did not use its tail
in climbing

B. W. A. Dougherty
Black & White Bugs
Pueblo Warbler

May 11, 1902

Saw Wearing Vines
moving. The colour sang and
then flared the fennel both
giving out and the squirly
roots. He ch and her muddy
m and out through all
the vine and then sang.

Julia Plumbridge
E. H. Ba. M.

May 11, 1902

INSURE IN THE
PHENIX INS. CO. of BROOKLYN

I found two cows upsetting
pots in Inlys Marsh. By
I just happened to see it
does built in under a
tussock of grass. It was
a fine nest. It contained three
eggs. The other one in the
edge of the plowed ground
I saw saw the robin
fly out but many ashes
the dirt down on it. Sheated
my cornfiens.
S. B. A. M. Inlys Marsh

May 11, 1912

Long-billed marsh wrens bobbed around serenely with tail held nearly straight up, flutter wings serenely. Out it flew into reeds it did not light on the edge but went down through

7:15 a.m. Lily's Marsh

May 11, 1902

Saw bull frog followed me up. Circled around three or four feet away after more & scared. At times went so close to ground that its breast touched. Followed me about 11 rods. Probably very hungry. Did not show much fear. Then went back and circled around cows 7:45 A.M.
7:15 P.M.

May 11, 1902

White ruffed Shrike
found nest. Pair built nest
lined contained four
eggs. Lined thickly with
chicken feathers. Female
entirely out of sight. Make
no noise which examined
it. Were much surprised as
Art Rudy had visited it Friday
before and she was very
noisy. They sat on limb and
twitched tail. Male sat around
nest in range of binoculars.

Mrs. Bill Sutton 2/10/09

May 11, 1912.

Sunt eunt sunt sunt
sunt sunt contentatur'.

Loud shoar beginning low
at first. The evening
of Waterbirches along
river, Wintering on mud
with nothing to'd: alarm
not sent. Sang behind
sans t'overflown since
spirit pourtrays anger.
J. Su Ba off.
J. Ms cut

saw a Phoebe bathing. It would fly into the air and then out and then sit on a stick and pump its feathers and shake itself. It never stayed in but plunged in when it was dry.

Near junction of Creek & Jury
5:40 P.M.

May 11, 1902

Found a young Robin white
when it had been hung up
by a string. It was about the
size of a newly hatched chicken.
It was hung by the leg in
a crotch and the neck was
broken. It was white. The head
was almost spotted with
buffy. The wing parts were
white, tipped brownish.
The wing & tail feathers were
just showing. Very kindly given
Mary Donaghey Farm
4:15 P.M.

May 11, 1902

Blue winged Warbler

8 — Size 5.5 in., two white outer tail feathers, underparts yellow, crown yellow, line through eye black, two white wing bars, back olive green, wings, forehead, long almost mole-coloured. It was very tame. It picked insects from the leaves and bark and also caught them on the wing with a bound and snap. It was seen by me on a red-eyed Vireo.

P. 15 A.M. Hoage.

Blumingd
W. Sun

INSURE IN THE PHENIX INS. CO. of BROOKLYN

Tonight about 6 one of those mud wasps se this morning flew into an upper room in Jones house and was shut in it was quite badly frightened but did not dash against the window. It had probably entered through an open window after flys. It struggled considerably when I caught it after examining it I let it go and it flew into a tree and began at once to capture insects

Jones Mr. 10 P.M.

Mary Hill

Tonight it rained quite hard. Many birds were flying round and we hurriedly drawn low by the electric lights. I had two notes frequently. One like present or print and another peer married to peri. I could not place either of them. Either we should more the part of Ariel and most of all come by Aug. 9, 00 P. M.

May 12 1902

Blue Warbler

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PHENIX INS. CO. OF BROOKLYN

Six six six six six six
de-e-e-e. underparts
white, sides streaked with
black. crown black.
throat rang. Three orange
stripes through the crown
two white patches on wing
back. Back as near cad
el could. Very tame and
restless. We kill warbs.
chased another bird out
of the tree.
Gattiker 4, 25 9 M

May 13, 1902

Blair
Herman
Werthe

Se fu se fu se fu se fu ou Britan

The song during last night was given also. The birds were down in the tree this time. The song was incessant. Sometimes the least wind left off. Once or twice it gave the warbling notes and then squeaking notes almost like a rolling. Continued longest.

Still sitting Twa Twa Twa Twa Twa

The song was much varied at all morning mornings and other insects and imitated the tipper of the marsh.

House 6:00 a.m.

May 16, 1902

Very frightened
Mother

Very stripe on breast and
sides. Two white
throat make entire
underparts white. Crown
black. Yellowish patch on
nape. Back reddish
much like the warbler
in nature. It would
hop in front of house and
pick under bush. It was
silent.

Irwin

7:30 A.M.

May 14, 1902

This afternoon Art Rudy and I went down by Judge Marsh's. Saw three or four deer and heard a number of others. I followed one up for quite a distance trying to photograph it. It would run along and then rest. Once I saw it jump out of the center of an animal tuft of grass. It made a splash it was very pretty colored. Then it flew off on the upland land and stood there in plain sight twirling its tail and crowing its head. It reached around nearly up to its body.

Lucius M. Marsh M.D. A.M.

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May 18/1912

Found a Cattinds nest with
one egg in it this morning. All
was in an uproar, they did not
give fit up. The ostriches did not
show up. Saw other mating
they chased each other around
with a curious flitting flight,
lowering tail whipping up
and down along the ground
with one wing up the other was
down. The males were singing
with ruffled feathers and drooping
tails looking like bare bushes
of feathers or clouds.

F. H. Leland. Pine Ht.

May 18, 1902

saw several Christmas stockings
hanging this morning. It
was rather a wooden singer
whose talk with Chuke, Aimee
and other Warlum. Une capture
a green morsel and did not seem to know
what to do with it. It seem
a small lizard and I thought
it was going to a larger pa to eat
but after throwing it around and
howling around it let it go the last
and scrambled it. This seems to
be a common habit of these. After
they get it they don't know what to do
with the moth. Hoskitts Woods. 1.30 P.M.

May 18, 1912

Nanning Webster.

INSURE IN THE
PHENIX INS. CO. OF BROOKLYN

Head blue. black band
on breast. underparts yellow.
back olive green. what it
what its what its what its what
what what. Alarm
not a very sharp chip
it was very much-mu
self contained and deliberate
than any of the other
warbler. it would sit
on a limb and sing for
15 or 20 minutes at a time
it did not seem to fly very

presence but when I got
there I could see it, it would
generally a little as as to
scream itself blind lame.
It came out in a dead limb
and sat there looking around
and singing for some time
I would just going to put
it down as a bird of the
high tree tops when it
pitched down to the ground.
It was much surprised
but I got a better sight
it hard. It kept around behind
rotten logs and stumps

and under grape berry bushes where it would not be matched easily. When I approached to closely me it gave the sharp alarm note and flew away. After awhile it ventured back down & heard the song again. The last notes were an indescribable warble almost. The song had some of the quality of the indigo Bunting, being a very pretty little singer.

J. Hackette made 1/15/08

May 18, 1902.

I

Shape chip wheeto, Tawn
tree wheet a. and so on
with endless variations.
The underparts were pure
white. The upperparts plain
brown line through they
black with a faint brilt the
above it. The wings were dropped
the underside of the tail was
white. The bill was about
as large as the yellow Warbled
Vireo. Of anything a little
larger. The song was
somewhat like that of the
Red-eyed only not so

rhythmical and warm
rocken. It flew around singing
frequently hanging back
down aside [illegible]
in the mountain we call
river. Eventually I saw
another flight with it. The flight
not knowing. At last
indifferently to the trees and
underground. It did not
seem as been persistent a
singer as the red-eyed. While
following it I came across
the growing singer on a tree
the hunting hilling for [illegible]

This Pamphlet somewhat complicated matter. But followed the trial until it disappeared. ~~[illegible]~~

J Hackett Island
Gibbs Mn.

May 18, 1902

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Went up Hawk Creek to
fog house. Heard two fawn
bright off from a log but
did not see them again.
Went up the hill and
heard up another. It thought
it was a cuckoo and followed
it up. It flew up again but
sat behind a stump. From then
it sat on a limb and I knew
it for a whippoorwill. It was
a lone note like quail when
scared up. It peered and
lengthened the limb.
It did not seem much

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afraid but simply wanted
to avoid observation
it fear it seemed of a
uniform steel color.
noticed a little white on the
breast. It had been resting
on a thinly wooded hill
covered with small hickory
and sumach bushes. It
looked for a nest but
found nothing.

Fog house on East Creek
L. W. R. M.

May 18, 1902.

INSURE IN THE
PHENIX INS. CO. OF BROOKLYN

This morning I saw two male Baltimore orioles fighting a Bluejay. The jay was afraid of them. But kept lurking in the top limbs but they flew at him giving a harsh chang and drove him down. Perhaps they were thinking of their eggs which he might steal later.

Dorchester. Y. 06 2 PM

May 18/1912

I

This afternoon I walked up
Hawk Creek to the foot of the
rapids. Heard a soft not
like splashes or foam.
and looking up saw a man
Philadelphia Jones swimming
a mate. He sat in a little
four inches above him.
He had his mouth opened
widely and was giving the
note Lucinda swaying his
body to and fro altered
to the full height. The
young lieutenant did not

appears for the ~~[illegible]~~
flour was bared picked up
from in a while and kept
mouth open a little as a sign
of anger. When the man
finished me he flew off
they were only about 24
feet away.

Geo R Swift Rapids 3:30 P.M.

May 18 1912

Robert Pollworthy

Crown black underparts
whitish, about across breast
and only streaked with
black chucks white under
side of tail with V of
black on ~~wood~~. Will fly
in air are rising
and then falling. The
wing was very thin and
windy. The bird stopped work
and flied up to a near tree sing.
It was quite hissing in its
movement but did not stay
in one tree long.
Home 7:15 A M

I might for school but I fainted and I found a sharp-shinned Hawks nest. It were in an oak about 60 feet up. The nest was a little larger than a peck measure and was made roughly though compactly made. It contained two large pinkish white eggs spotted about the large end with rufous. There were a number of crows around and they acted so much excited that I thought it was

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Their nest. They flew around over me all the time and cawed loudly. The hawk went by and flying like a streak.

Woodmansbury in
Barnum
H. C. P. M.

This morn it was rather chilly. Saw a Mal Robin taking a sunbath in Trues yard. He was stretched flight out on his side and had his feathers puffed up. When I stopped to look at him he immediately stood up and then flew.

Trues yard Oriskany
12.15 P.M.

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This morning I went for
in J. Hacker's Woods There
were a number of male
Wilson Thrushes there
and all were singing - I
had supposed them to be
blue birds. The song was
a flute like note uttered
rapidly so as to run it
together. They assembled
each other from all parts
of the woods. The mosquitoes
bothered so that I was

obliged to climb a tree to escape them. A thrush was near me singing but being of the learned school not see it for some time finally it shifted its perch and sang sweet, plaintive songs it pierced but mournful and melodious. It gave a call note like wheep a wheep

It was not my mind.

J. Hackett Woods

9:30 a.m.

June 1, 1902

"The Red-eyed Vireo flies by my acting which exists He would sing a few syllables and then the pitchers force rapidly around time ending up with a quick chitty chitty! Then he gave voice about 50 or 60 times, & would not think what was the matter and so went on. Soon he came back accompanied by his mate who

immediately flew to her, and to my surprise began to tear it to pieces. She took a large mouthful and flew off with it. I sprang up and looked at the mistletoe she had made several trips. It was made of sheep's wool and birch bark. a very pretty combination. as she did not come back I followed her up and saw the male singing on a dead limb. Then I caught sight

of the female standing motionless by the mushroom a big bunch full of wool. It stood still for some time but as she did not move a world off. A little later the flies accompanied by his mate and went to the nest. There she pulled it around and arranged it standing on the brim. It took some time to do this. The male did not

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up nor at all but just went
with and camp. Went upand
lost at the rest. another
rest possibly a fresh one
hung from the same crotch
perhaps a first effort of the
campaign. This was
also made of wool and
bark.

J. Hastitt Woods

10:30 a.m.

This morning found down in little Pasture. Heard a quer note and following it into the meadow found two young Vesper Sparrows. They were unable to fly for the tips of the wing feathers just showed out of their cases. The legs and my much developed and they could hop quite a distance.

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PHENIX INS. CO. OF BROOKLYN

The dam still clung to their
position in many places.
I loosed them out of the nest
and about 20 feet apart, I
placed them near a postand
went to the house for a pencil.
When I returned I could not
find them for almost half an
hour. As soon they saw
me they became silent, finally
I crashed up close and
thumped and found them.
The punch was my

June 15, 1902

The young robin was fairly
awkwardness through and through all
round. He gave a note like
<u>this</u> as he sprang sheer from the
nest and superadding or sit within
a few feet of me. The male
came one and then went
away after the female had
chased him from a post.
The birds looked some like
young Chippies except that
the heads were not striped.
They showed the white
tail feathers already.

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PHENIX INS. CO. OF BROOKLYN

The back was mottled with black and yellow. The breast was white streaked with black. He had a much stronger voice than the other. The maker one sounded like a grasshopper. The redbird was chip or chip chip or chwit. They were silent and kept quite still & had them. They could perch readily. Fake Meadow 9/10/01

June 15, 1902

This morning I was down by Pond Lawn Martin chasing a flying swift. The Martin closed with it once but after that the swift dodged so quickly that the Martin could not succeed

By Spaine 7.00 A.M

June 15, 1912

This morning I went down
on the fields. By the ditch
on Tiffin's pasture I saw
two female Bobolinks. They
seemed very tame. One sang
on the fence about 15 feet away
and pruned its feathers. The
other was a little more
suspicious. It flew down to
the mud and walked over
it watching curiously
when I raised my glass
it flew.

Tiffin pasture 8:30 A.M.

June 15, 1912

This morning I went up on the hill. Strange to say I saw a number of male Chest-nut sided Warblers in the tops of trees bordering brush covered clearings of which they were undoubtedly nesting. I saw no females. I have never seen more than one or two at a time before. They were in full song and kept entirely to the tops of trees.

Oak Hill 10.30 A.M.

June 1, 1902.

This morning I was down in Ohnetya. I followed the ditch down to the river. Snail tracks were very numerous. On the mud I also followed certain trails. There were young and there as some trails were small scared up animal females and one male but saw no young.

Ditch 9:00 a.M.

June 22, 1902

This morning I was down in Mama Woods, Heard a peculiar whistling rippling song that at first I attributed to the Spotted Sandpiper but a few notes convinced me that it was the Wood Pewee and then I saw it. It was sitting on a limb in the sun singing. The song was very sweet and some parts were rather mournful. The regular note was interspersed abruptly in it. I Cattired near and observed it. The song was

January 2, 1902.

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as follows although with many variations and was drawn out by constant repetitions. I have collected the most prominent notes whie whie whie whe pit-e-o-wu pe-er pe Ther whut whut whes whier whe whe whut whur l whur-l. altogether it was a extremely pleasing song.

Maime Woods 9.15.9.M

June 27, 1902

This morning down
in the fields a Flicker flew
over with a slightly bounding
flight. It held its body more
upright than most birds do.
Did this lim[illegible] of flight
it gave a rippling notice
cu-uh-uh-uh-uh-uh-uh as a
whole several times.

Fisher's Pasture 7:30 A.M.

June 22, 1902

Sarah Ann Frost Ah

This morning after breakfast I went down in the fields. Heard a note like the syllable th sounded and felt sure that it came from a young Bobolink. Saw a female fly out of the grass near which the sound came from. The man came as near as I dared and seemed to try to drown it by singing and his efforts were quite successful. They both made a great fuss as all Blackbirds do and got a female Robin started. She made so

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much noise that I was forced to scare her away in order to hear anything. I examined the clump of grass in which the young mice were but found nothing. I marked it with a piece of paper and came away. The male screamed afraid of a male Red wing for when one flew towards him he retreated. Hence he sit by his mate on the fence and edged over towards her with spread wings giving a hissing note and she flew. Tillie Meadows 8/1/1949

June 22, 1902

This afternoon I was down by Skunk Rocks. Heard a pair of kingbirds high in the air and looking up saw them hovering at once of thought "Hawk!" and on the next instant a cooper's hawk in sight. A goldfinch that had been singing happily flew up and hovered around calling pu-we and pe-ty. The kingbirds attacked the hawk and drove it into the woods.

Skunk Rocks 3:00 P.M.

July 6, 1902

This afternoon I went down the hill. Saw a Vesper Sparrow singing from the top of a telegraph post. This was a rather unusual height for the bird, usually they go no higher than a fence post

Railroad hill near Wells Marsh
2:25 P.M.

July 15 1912

This morning I was down in Fullmans. Watched a song sparrow preening its feathers. It would turn & bill down as far as possible to get at the feathers on its breast. In scratching its head the foot was brought up over the wing. It was and very alert and attractive in its actions.

Sam Fullman P.O. 1.5.9.11

July 1902 -

This morning I went
on Fullmers. A Vesper
sparrow flew up, lit on a
fencepost then moved to a
wire and finally returned
to the ground. I sat down
a short ways off and
watched it. It seemed to
prefer the pasture where
the grass was short. It
went through the grass like
a mouse which gives it
its common name of
mouse bird. It was feeding
on grasshoppers and this

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small insects. It kept a good watch on me. It would lower its head and lift its tail while hopping or running. It did not seem to mind the heat at least its mouth was kept shut. another sang from the fence in a low note. They have great power of modulation.

Dan Fillmore. 9:45 a.m.

July 8, 1912

This morning a was down
in Selby's Cornfield, Prairie
Hound Castle were flying
around in considerable
numbers. Mostly in family
group of from 5 to 8. They
flew low and kept up the
<u>Quita</u> note all the time.
They did not stop.

Selby Cornfield Ill. 10 a.m.

July 8, 1902.

I

This morning I was
cultivating corn at Lilys.
Red-winged Blackbirds
swarmed and fed in the
soft dirt that had turned
up. They had a note
like quail which was quite
pretty and was probably
the fall note. They walked
around moving quickly as
though no time was to be
lost they were not as settled
as they are in the marsh. They
flew around from tree

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place the another a gyroldal.
They are mostly old man
young one which were
carrying for thunders.

Julius Cornfeld 10:45 P.M.

July 8, 1902

This morning I was down by Dan 7 Elm. Repair of Woodwards had some young one in a hayfield. The whole was very anxious and kept up a welsh quint per-ver-ent nearly all the time. The young kept up a constant grasshopping sort. This could hardly be distinguished from the other sounds of the fields, others with letting the poorest Nurse they were hungry. They were. We charged it distention by their mother.

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a kingbird lit on a post near them and sat there for a while. The male meadowlark flew down with an angry note and chased him and what surprised me most was ~~that~~ the kingbird made no effort to retaliate. The female sat among the grass and sang.

Dan Fullhamer. 10:35 a.m.

The male did not feel thus to my knowledge while I was there. He left in the air flew around and sang.

July 8, 1902.

This morning I was down in Oak Fellows lane & saw a pair of kingbirds along a wire fence. They sat so still that I did not see them at first. They made about 2 calls & rattled to the fence gently in a few seconds. One or that for some time but I saw no other. In a few minutes I saw another place. One of them was black & yellow. The other had a black & white

July 8, 1902

so did not chose it. perhaps
its erotic monuments had
something to do with its
immorality. They gave the
impression of being very
alert and kept up a constant
watch on all sides.
Dan Fullmer. 10:30 A.M.

July 8, 1962

I.

This morning after breakfast I went down by Cedar bridge. A male goldfinch was feeding on some catmint seedlings by the roadside. He was a dazzling little fellow and allowed me to approach very close. He paid no attention to me at all. He was long & stood still, perhaps he thought that things that stood were not dangerous. He didn't seem to find many good seeds in a big go. Eventually he moved hopped along a ribbon trilling inquisitively and rapidly and bidding.

July 27, 1902

His blue eyes stood in my
pleasing. I felt not that
quite all of his head.
As passing urchin may
scared with and and
sprung up and lit on a
mountain

Cicero's bridge
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